

Some Helpful Hints for Improving the Beauty of Womankind

A Cheap Method of Filtering Water

As efficient a filter as can possibly be secured may be made in a few minutes by anyone at the cost of a few cents.

Take a new flower pot, close the opening in the bottom with a piece of sponge, on top of which place a layer of small stones, previously well cleaned. The layer should be about two inches deep; the upper stones should be smaller.

Next procure some freshly burnt charcoal, which has not been kept in a damp or ill-ventilated place. Reduce this to a powder and mix it with twice its bulk of sharp, clean-washed sand.

With this mixture fill the pot to within a few inches from the top, cover it with another layer of small stones and place a piece of flannel around the rim. The flannel should be large enough to lie around the pot and also to leave a little hollow in the center.

The charcoal should be renewed about twice a month.

Summer Footwear

Some women who ordinarily have no trouble with their feet suffer a great deal at this season of the year from chafing. While certain remedies, such as alum water, salt water, or cut lemons afford temporary relief, it is wiser to obviate the cause, which is due to the rubbing of the shoes or stockings, sometimes both.

Lisle thread hosiery is sometimes not comfortable, as the thread is rather tightly twisted, so that there is no "give," in the cotton or silk. The stockings may give trouble if they are too large, as the wrinkles which chafe the feet.

However, the main source of trouble is apt to be the shoes; they may be small, or so draw, or the trouble may be with the leather. Chemicals are used to tan the leather, and sometimes these chemicals affect the feet, if they have not been properly evaporated and worn out. Another common cause is tightness.

It is the weakness of many women to show a small foot with a close-fitting shoe. With this end in view, many people have their shoes made really too tight. If the leather be stiff, the wearer will feel the pinch somewhere and will probably not buy that size of shoes. If the leather is soft, however, no immediate pain is felt, and the boots are not thought of as tight.

It is especially important in summer that the foot shall have as much room as possible without slipping. Heat alone is apt to make the foot swell, and so it is wise to have shoes for this season half a size larger than those for winter wear.

In fitting a pair of shoes, do not slip on the shoe and then hold it up to see if it fits. Stand up and rest the weight on the foot, as in walking, and the foot assumes a different shape.

When there is a tenderness or swelling, bathe the feet in warm salt water—sea salt, if possible—and gently dry them. In the morning repeat the bath and rubbing, then dust onto the feet some foot powder or foot powder. This will cure any soreness, and tends to prevent its recurrence by hardening the cuticle.

Strawberry Pudding Souffle

This is rather an intricate dish to prepare and must be cooked with infinite care, but it is a most delicious dessert. Wash, drain and hull a pint of berries, and mash them in a china bowl with four tablespoons of granulated sugar. Add two ounces or about four tablespoons of lightly crumbled stale cake or bread, the yolks of three eggs, two ounces of rice flour (wheat flour will not do for a souffle), half an ounce of butter, and, if you like liquor, a tablespoon of good rum. Beat the whites of the three eggs to a stiff froth, and gradually add to the mixture, stirring gently meanwhile. Rub a quart pudding mold with butter and sugar, drop the mixture carefully into this, place on a tin and set the dish in a moderate oven to bake for twenty minutes. Unmold on a warm dish, pour over fresh strawberry sauce and serve immediately.

For the sauce, use this recipe: Press two to enameled saucepan half a pint of hulled fresh strawberries. Add three tablespoons of sugar, one tablespoon of kirsch, if you use liquor, and one gill or half a cup of water. Boil for ten minutes.

Strawberry Tartlets.

Make rich pie crust and line small scalloped tins. Press the pastry lightly to the bottom and sides of the tins, but do not press at the edges. Fill these tartlet molds with dry beans, which you keep for this purpose, and place in a moderate oven for fifteen minutes. Pour off the beans and save them for another time, as they keep your pastry from burning and rising in unsightly blotches. Hull, wash and drain dry about forty-eight or fifty good sized berries. Turn into a bowl with three tablespoons of sugar and a tablespoon of rum or the same quantity of water, if you do not use liquor. Stir the berries lightly in the seasoning, then divide them equally among the tartlets, arranging them neatly and pouring away sugar and liquor left over into the little pans. Bake ten minutes. Cool, remove from the tins, heap each tartlet with sweetened and whipped cream, adding a fresh strawberry and green leaf or strip of angelica to the top and serve cold.

METHODS OF REMOVING SUPRFLUOUS HAIR FROM FACE

In spite of the fact that as far as I know there is no sure and permanent cure for the growth of superfluous hair except by electrical treatment, I am so frequently asked what to do that I have decided to write precisely what I know about it.

A first and foremost, however, I wish to go on record as saying that while there may be no cure, there are remedies, but precisely the way these work should be clearly understood before a woman tries them. Those remedies I know work, but the roots are not killed. These, still thriving, are made more vigorous by retarding the growth, and as soon as the remedy is dispensed with out comes another set thicker and stronger than the first. This has been demonstrated over and over again, and, therefore, it should be positively understood that any treatment adopted must be continued in the use until the end of time. Otherwise the condition will ultimately be worse than at first.

Even electricity may fail unless in the hands of an expert. The reason of its being a cure properly applied is that the needle is driven into the root, and the latter is killed by the current. Should the needle be improperly directed, the root is not killed and the "cure" is useless.

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What of Imitations

The question of imitations—to be or not to be—is indeed a perplexing one. On the one side stand those who say that no real gentleman ever wears or uses an article that is not exactly what it is represented to be, and on the other are their opponents, who declare that, in that case, mankind, and especially womankind, would soon have no belongings of any sort whatever.

Ivory piano keys, they say, are skinned milk; lead pencils are graphite; and catgut comes from sheep. A classification that would bar these would, they say further, preclude also false teeth, eyes and legs. So why not, make a sweeping declaration that the artificial is as good as the real, and that imitations are no longer to be recognized as such, but are to be considered as the articles themselves that they represent?

But why, on the other hand, can there not be a sweet medium? Let imitations exist, and use and wear them so long as they do not blatantly declare their false origin, and proclaim to the world their face-denial of the things they are supposed to be. Better a plain pine wood chair, openly admitted as such, than the same chair heavily veneered with rosewood. Better a simple band of confessed rhinestones, than a "diamond" pin costing \$2 and better, far better, a plain shell comb, a silver band bracelet, an aluminum coffee pot, than the same articles covered with spurious decorations, and forced to pass for tortoise shell, or platinum, or silver.

Above all, prefer simplicity to gorgeousness, plainness to elaboration, appropriateness to brilliancy. That is to say, do not wear a "pearl" necklace in the daytime, or everybody will guess its manufacture, and because of the "faded" quality, nor call your patty mahogany. The mark of the gentleman—whom most persons seem to have forgotten in their strenuous hunt for the "lady"—is quietness and good taste. A word to the wise is sufficient.

Growing Children

There comes a time in every family when the parents suddenly realize that their children are growing up. Mary pleads to be allowed to wear her hair without a ribbon; John thinks he is quite old enough to start to smoke; strange boys—"child-men," father contemptuously snorts—ask permission to call on Katherine; and even little William is speaking of "we men" where once it was "us fellows."

It is a sad time, too, to father and mother, who must see the babies vanishing, and unfamiliar men and women in their dear places; and who, worst of all, suddenly feel with a pang that they themselves are growing old. It is no wonder, then, that sometimes their conduct appears to the children harsh and unreasonable. Mary retires in tears because mother spoke of her as a "little girl"; John is insulted because father addressed him as master, instead of Mr. Brown, and Katherine and William resent being called "the youngsters" by the older children. So there is strife in the family, and no one will yield an inch, and there is general unpleasantness because all these young and newly discovered wills are bent on opposing one another.

How different it might all be! If father and mother would gracefully concede a point, and the children would expect too much, and all would only be patient, it might be made a time of peace and happiness instead of turmoil and anger. Sooner or later it is inevitable that the children grow up; why not accept the not unusual phenomenon quietly, and simply thank the gods that it is no worse, and that at least your children will make good men and women when their time shall come? In the case of all these things is a touch of bitterness attached. When children marry, and bring their wives and husbands into the house, there yet remain the children themselves, but what when even they disappear, and in their places stand unrecognizable strangers? And therein does the hurt lie.

A good remedy for keeping moths out of your clothes is to place a piece of turpentine in a piece of newspaper that has been soaked in turpentine. Place in an old pillow case or bag. There is absolutely no danger that the moths will disturb any piece so treated.

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